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Gary D. Foster

Application No.: 09/270141

Art Unit: 2124

Filed: March 16, 1999

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In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2004 (Paper No. 9), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1, 9, 10, 14, 17, 20, 38 and 43 have been amended. Claims 3-4, 18, and 45-52 have been cancelled. Claims 53-58 have been added. No new matter has been added.

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